## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

JON N. LEONARD

SERIAL NO.: 09/390,363

FILED: September 7, 1999

FOR: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ENABLING THE

ORIGINATOR OF AN ELECTRONIC MAIL MESSAGE TO PRESET AN EXPIRATION TIME,

DATE, AND/OR EVENT, AND TO CONTROL PROCESSING OR HANDLING BY A RECIPIENT GROUP ART UNIT: 2131

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For: System And Method For Enabling The Originator Of An Electronic Mail Message

To Preset An Expiration Time, Date, And/Or Event, And To Control Processing Or

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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This paper is in response to the Official Action dated September 5, 2003.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested based on the following amendments and remarks.